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Ep. Gal. C. vi. V. 9.

Let us not be weary in well doing; for in due Season we shall reap, if we faint not.

THE many excellent Diſcourſes, which have been made before *this Venerable Society*, have ſo far exhauſted the chief Topicks concerning them, that ſhould I lay before you the Intent of their Incorporation, and the Obligations, which all good Chriſtians lie under to promote it; — or ſhould I deſcend to Particulars, and expatiate on — the Charity of bringing back our Brethren in *America* to good Manners and a Chriſtian Life, — the Juſtice and Gratitude of giving to the poor *Negroe* Slaves, hard at Work to obtain for their Maſters *the Meat which periſheth, that Meat which endureth to everlaſting Life*, — the exalted Piety

of teaching the ſimple *Indians, what they muſt do to be ſaved*; I muſt either repeat what hath been already ſaid by thoſe great Prelates, and other worthy Diſpenſers of God's Holy Word, who have gone before me on theſe Subjects; or treſpaſs to much leſs good Purpoſe on your Patience, while I ventured to deliver my own Thoughts upon them.

And yet leſs would it become him, whoſe Duty and Honour it is to receive and obſerve the Orders of *this great Body*, to deliver them out, and to look to the Obſervance of thoſe excellent Rules, which their Wiſdom hath laid down for the Conduct of all thoſe who are employed under them, to preſume to inſtruct his Superiors in the Execution of their moſt important Truſt.

But after waving all theſe Heads, may I not be permitted with St. *Paul* to exhort them, and all the other generous Contributors towards the Propagation of the Goſpel in Foreign Parts, *not to be weary in this well doing*, for this very good Reaſon, that *in due Seaſon they ſhall reap, if they faint not?* Had that *choſen Veſſel unto God to bear his Name among the Gentiles*, after having been *in Labours more abundant*, grown weary, God alone knows, when *Life and Immortality had been brought to Light through the Goſpel of Chriſt* to us, who were *ſitting in Darkneſs and in the Shadow of Death*, very far from *Jeruſalem*, whence the great

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Bleſſing came, and by the great Waters ſeparated from the reſt of the Earth, until the noble Ardour and unwearied Zeal of this great Apoſtle, *under the Care of all the Churches*, reached even to us; and through the Divine Mercy we were *brought early out of Darkneſs into Chriſt's marvellous Light*, either by St. *Paul*, or by ſome of thoſe Holy Men, who were ordained by, or derived their Commiſſion from him, who vouchſafes to beſeech us *to be Followers of him* in this, and all other *well doing, as he was of Chriſt, who came to ſeek and ſave that which was loſt, and that Repentance and Remiſſion of Sins ſhould be preached to all Nations in his Name.*

In an humble Imitation of, and in a dutiful Obedience to Chriſt and to this his great Apoſtle, this Society have employed themſelves for the Space of more than 40 Years in this truly Evangelical Work; and laid out their Time, their Care, and their Purſe, in *the Maintenance of a learned and orthodox Clergy, and in the making ſuch other Proviſion, as they have found neceſſary for the Propagation of the Goſpel in Foreign Parts*; with what Succeſs I ſhall proceed to lay before you from authentick Papers, as the great Motive for Perſeverance *in this well doing.*

The Charter of Incorporation bears Date on the 16th Day of *June* 1701, and the Society, as ſoon as formed, ſet about their great Work with all

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Alacrity and Care, and in the firſt Place took a diſtinct Survey, and made a particular Inquiry into the Religious State of our Colonies in *America*. And to their great Grief they found the Suggeſtions in their Charter much too true, that *in many of our Plantations and Colonies, the Proviſion for Miniſters was mean, and others of them were wholly unprovided of a Maintenance for Miniſters and the Worſhip of God; and that for lack of Support and Maintenanee for ſuch, many of our Fellow-Subjects wanted the Adminiſtration of God's Word and Sacraments, and others of them ſeemed to be abandoned to Atheiſm and Infidelity.*

And I ſhall prove this from Particulars, if your Patience will ſo far bear with me.

In the Iſland of *Newfoundland*, to begin with the Colony neareſt ourſelves, were about 500 Families, which *walked in the Vanity of their own Minds*, without any Sort of Publick Worſhip among them.

* In *New-England*, to go on to the Continent of *America*, there were at leaſt 70,000 Inhabitants in the Government of *Maſſachuſets Bay*, 30,000 in that of *Connecticut*, 3000 in *New Hampſhire*, 2000 in the Province of *Mayn*, and but one Church of our Holy Communion, *viz.* in the

* Colonel *Dudley*'s (Governour of *New-England*) Account of the *Engliſh* Plantations in *North America*, laid before the Society *September* 19, 1701.

the City of *Boston*, among so many Thousand Souls.

In *Rhode* Island and *Providence* Plantation were about 5000 People, and there was the Beginning of a Church in the Town of *Newport* in the Island.

But in the adjoining Plantation of *Naraganset* were 3000 People without any Form of Religion.

In the Province of *New-York* were 25,000 Persons, and one Church just opened there.

* In *East-Jersey* were 8000, in *West-Jersey* were 5000 Inhabitants, with very few Places of Publick Worship, and not one according to the Liturgy of the Church of *England*.

In *Pennsylvania* were computed 15,000 People, and there was one Church in *Philadelphia* the Capital of the Province.

In *North Carolina* were 5000 of our People besides *Negroes* and *Indians*, who all did only what was right in their own Eyes as to Religion, and seem'd much too literally to live without God in the World.

In *South Carolina* were 7000 white People with one Church in *Charles-Town*.

This upon a particular Inquiry appeared to be the State of our Plantations and Colonies, which more

* Col. *Lewis Morris*, (now Governour of the *Jerseys*) his Memorial concerning the *Jerseys*, laid before the Society 19 *Sept.* 1701.

more immediately wanted the Help of the Society at the Time of their Incorporation. For as to *Maryland* and *Virginia*, and the Iſlands of the *Weſt-Indies*, they were found to be ſo well ſettled, and provided with Churches and Incumbents under the Care of their Right Reverend Ordinary, as not to ſtand in Need of Aſſiſtance from the Society.

Therefore let us in the next Place proceed to inquire, what hath been done by the Society for theſe firſt-mentioned Colonies, and what is their preſent Religious State.

In *Newfoundland* two Miſſionaries of good Reputation in the holy Orders of our Church are and have been maintained for many Years at the Expence of the Society, to teach the poor ignorant People dwelling there, and ſome Thouſands of occaſional Inhabitants, who in the Summer Seaſon come thither to fiſh, *to know the only true God, and Jeſus Chriſt our Lord*; and theſe our *Fiſhers of Men* have ſo far reclaim'd the People to a Senſe of Religion, that they have built three Churches in the Iſland for the publick Worſhip of Almighty God, and the more decent Celebration of the bleſſed Sacraments according to our holy Liturgy, in which all both Old and Young are inſtructed in the *firſt Principles of the Oracles of God*; for to obſerve it once for all, the Society's Miſſionaries are occaſionally Catechiſts and School-maſters, as well

well as Preachers, and are to *become all Things to all Men, if by any Means they may ſave ſome*, by bringing the unbaptized to the ſacred *Laver of Regeneration*, and the regenerate to the *Lord's holy Table, to the ſtrengthening and refreſhing of their Souls*, that they all may every Day *grow more and more in Grace, and walk worthy of the Vocation, whereunto they are called.*

In *New-England* the Number of the Society's Miſſionaries have been continually increaſing from their firſt Inſtitution, and at this Time *nineteen Miſſionaries* are ſupported by them therein, and could the Society, in Prudence and Juſtice to the preſſing Deſires of the other Colonies, anſwer the importunate Demands of this very populous Province for new *Miſſionaries*, they muſt at leaſt double the Number, *ſo mightily grows the Word of God, and prevails* according to the Liturgy of the Church of *England* in this Province, which was originally planted by Diſſenters from it of various Names, and thoſe broken afterwards into more, and before-unheard-of Denominations. The Powers there in being, to do them Juſtice, had taken Care for God's publick Worſhip, and erected Schools for the Education of their Youth, but not in true orthodox Principles of *the Church of England*, but in the *Independent Way*; and they continued their Prejudices, which they had carried over with them againſt our Liturgy ſo far, as not

to permit that ſingle Church in *Boſton* before-mentioned without an Order from the Throne. But now God be thanked thoſe Prejudices are very ſenſibly worn off, and there are at leaſt thirty Churches and Chapels in this Province, under the Care of our Miſſionaries, whoſe worthy Behaviour in this Province cannot be better ſet forth, than in the Words of a *Right Reverend Prelate*, who hath been there in his own Perſon, and is above all Suſpicion of Flattery, or Deceit, * I ſpeak it knowingly, that the Miniſters in thoſe Provinces which go by the Name of *New-England*, ſent and ſupported at the Expence of this Society, have by the Sobriety of their Behaviour, and a competent Degree of uſeful Knowledge, ſhewn themſelves worthy of the Choice of thoſe who ſent them, and particularly in living on a more friendly Foot with thoſe of the Separation, who on their Part are alſo very much come off from that Narrowneſs of Spirit, which formerly kept them at ſuch an unamicable Diſtance. — May the *God of Love, Joy, and Peace* bring us daily nearer to each other, and heal all our Breaches, that we may *take ſweet Councel together in the Unity of the Spirit, and in the Bond of Peace, and walk in the Houſe of God as Friends in all Sincerity and Truth*, but *if any be contentious*, this Society *hath no ſuch Cuſtom, neither the Churches of God.*

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* *V.* Dr. *Berkeley*'s (now Lord Biſhop of *Cloyne*) Sermon before this Society, 1731, p. 21.

In the Province of *New-York* appear no Footſteps of any Attempt towards a Settlement in Religion, earlier than in the Year 1693, when becauſe * *Prophaneſs and Licentiouſneſs had overſpread the Province for want of a ſettled Miniſtry throughout the ſame*, it was *ordained* by Act of Aſſembly, *that ſix Proteſtant Miniſters ſhould be appointed therein*, but this Act began not to operate till four Years later, in 1697, when they ſet about building the Church at *New-York*, which they ſpeedily and happily effected, and choſe ‖ that worthy Perſon their Rector, who continues to this Day the careful Paſtor thereof. But as for the other five Churches to be built in the other Parts of the Province, the Salaries from the Publick for the Incumbents to be appointed to them was ſo ſmall, as not to be a ſufficient Maintenance without the charitable Aid of this Corporation, which gives Salaries to nine Miſſionaries in this Province, in which there are about *twenty Churches and Chapels* with crouded Congregations. And † it hath been remarked to the Honour of the Inhabitants of this Province, that they have thrown off all their former Rudeneſs, and become a Religious, Sober and Polite People, and, as Traders to *New-York* aſſure us, reſemble the *Engliſh* very much in their open Behaviour and frank Sincerity of Spirit.

* *V. Trot*'s Laws of the *Britiſh* Plantations in *America*, p. 263.
‖ The Reverend Mr. *Veſey*, Commiſſary of *New-York*.
† *V.* Hiſtorical Account of the Society, p. 35.

In *East* and *West Jersey*, now united into one, there was a very wretched Appearance of Religion, and the Principles of the poor People were so corrupted, and their Practices so debauched, as to suffer them *to commit all Manner of Iniquity with Greediness*. * *They generally spent the Lord's Day throughout the Province at Publick Houses, where they got their Fill of Rum, and then went to Fighting, and to running Races*; but now, through the Blessing of God upon the charitable Endeavours of the Society, there is a great Reformation of Manners among them; and *the Grace of God, which teaches us that denying Ungodliness and worldly Lusts, we should live soberly, righteously and godly in this present World*, hath so far wrought upon them, that they have built *ten Churches, besides Chapels*, in which the Word of God, which giveth Wisdom and Understanding, is well attended on every Lord's Day by populous Congregations, and the Blessed Sacraments duly administred by five Missionaries from this Society.

In *Pennsylvania* are People of almost all Persuasions in Religion, but that Sect is predominant, *which professing themselves wise, are become so far Fools*, as to reject as carnal Ordinances Christ's instituted Means of Grace, and the *Light within them being turned into Darkness, they are alienated from the Life of God*: But however, to give them their

* Colonel *Morris*'s Memorial concerning them.

their Due, they are ſo far conſiſtent with their Principles, as to leave all Men at Liberty to *ſeek the Lord* in their own Way; and the Liturgy of the Church of *England* is become of good Repute in this Country: There is one flouriſhing Church at *Philadelphia*, and not leſs than *twenty Churches and Chapels* more ſerved by eight Miſſionaries in this Province, whoſe publick Adminiſtrations are ſo well attended, that ſometimes in the Summer Seaſon the Outſides of the Doors and of the Windows are crowded, while our *Workmen, that need not be aſhamed,* * *are laying again of the Foundation of Repentance from dead Works, and of Faith toward God, of the Doctrine of Baptiſms, and of laying on of Hands, and of Reſurrection of the Dead, and of eternal Judgment.* For too many there *have Need of Milk and not of ſtrong Meat; and to be taught* again which *be the firſt Principles of the Oracles of God.* The Invitations of the Miſſionaries to all ſuch is general and free, *they ſeek not theirs but them. Ho, every one that thirſteth come ye to the Waters, and he that hath no Money, come buy and eat, yea come buy Wine and Milk without Money, and without Price; what they freely have received, to them that hunger and thirſt after Righteouſneſs, they will freely give, the Water and Bread of Life* to the eternal Salvation of their immortal Souls.

* Heb. vi. 1, 2.

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In *North Carolina* the Obſervation of the Lord's Day, and all other Religious Duties, ſeemed to have been quite forgotten: There was *no Teaching Prieſt* among them, nor any Appearance of Religion. However, there were a few not inſenſible of their deplorable Condition, who laid before the Society their Want of God's Word and Sacraments in a very ſerious and affecting Manner, and out of tender Compaſſion for them, and, if poſſible, to reduce from a reprobate Mind the other, two Itinerant Miſſionaries have been long maintained to go over this not yet well ſettled Province, *preaching every where, and from Houſe to Houſe, Repentance towards God, and Faith towards our Lord Jeſus Chriſt*, baptizing their Children, and all ſuch not yet baptized Adults, as are Religiouſly deſirous of being bleſſed by that Sacrament; and adminiſtring to all Members of Chriſt's Church that are devoutly diſpoſed, the comfortable Sacrament of Chriſt's Body and Blood. And the Society's Care of them has wrought ſo good an Effect, that the Aſſembly of this Province paſſed an * Act for dividing it into *nine Pariſhes*, and for the erecting as many Churches in them, with Stipends for nine Miniſters, *to expreſs their Gratitude towards the Right Honourable the Society for promoting the Chriſtian Religion in Foreign Parts, and their*

* *V. Trot*'s Laws of the *Britiſh* Plantations in *America*, p. 83.

their Zeal for the promoting our Holy Religion, as the Act words it. But notwithſtanding this, there are as yet but three or four Churches erected, and the People ſcattered over this large Province remain ſo unſettled in good and religious Principles, that both the Miſſionaries complain in their Letters of the great *Contradiction of Sinners,* and other Difficulties under which they labour: And therefore the Society hath added lately a third Miſſionary, one of the Magiſtrates of the Province, who offered himſelf on his Arrival here, and upon Examination was found worthy of Holy Orders; and they have furniſhed him and the other Miſſionaries with Books good and uſeful for their Miſſions for the Inſtruction of the Ignorant, and for the Reformation of the Wicked; that, if poſſible, this untoward Generation may be reclaimed, and be brought to the ſaving *Knowledge of the Truth, as it is in Jeſus Chriſt.*

South Carolina is much better ſettled, and the People of it, it is to be hoped, better Chriſtians, for the Proprietaries and Magiſtrates of it have taken good Care of Religion; they ſought very early and obtained the Aſſiſtance of the Society, and in a grateful Acknowledgment of it have built and endowed *many Churches* with Glebes Manſes and Salaries for the Incumbents; by which ſeveral of them are ſo well provided, as to want no Aſſiſtance from the Society, and therefore only *ten Pa-*

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riſhes are furniſhed with *Miſſionaries* from the Society, and thoſe with ſmaller Salaries than they uſually beſtow.

Theſe Provinces have been the chief Objects of the Society's Care, but they have aſſiſted occaſionally, and are ready to aſſiſt *to teach the Way of God more perfectly* to all our other Plantations and Colonies, as far as their Abilities will hold, and Neceſſity ſhall require; and therefore they have for ſome Years maintained a Miſſion in the *Bahama* Iſlands, in which the Inhabitants are ignorant and poor; and they have granted lately a Salary to a Miſſionary in *Georgia*, upon a Memorial from the Truſtees for the Eſtabliſhment of that Colony, ſetting forth, that they were not in a Capacity of doing it themſelves, the Money given for the Uſe of that Colony by Act of Parliament being appropriated to other Uſes.

And as the Maintenance of a learned and orthodox Clergy abroad, though the principal, is not the only Intent of this Corporation, but they are alſo *to make ſuch other Proviſion as ſhall be found neceſſary for the Propagation of the Goſpel in Foreign Parts*: The Society have done all in their Power to encourage the ſetting up of Schools, that the riſing Generation may be *brought up in the Nurture and Fear of the Lord*, and they give Salaries to *three Catechiſts* and *twelve Schoolmaſters* for this Purpoſe; and to compleat all, they have

have furniſhed the Churches with Bibles and Common Prayer Books, fixed Parochial Libraries, and given away ſo great a Number of good Books, and of devotional and practical ſmall Tracts by the Hands of their Miſſionaries throughout *America*, as in the whole have coſt them many Thouſand Pounds.

By theſe Means *the Grace of God, which bringeth Salvation, hath appeared to* our poor abandoned Brethren in *America*.

By theſe Means alſo *Life and Immortality have been brought to Light to* the poor benighted Negroes labouring among them, and the Savage *Indians* bordering upon them. For the Society, which *would have all Men to be ſaved, and to come to the Knowledge of the Truth*, have eſteemed themſelves *Debtors* not only to their own Brethren, but alſo to theſe *Barbarians both bond and free*.

For more than 30 Years the Society have maintained two Catechiſts for the particular Inſtruction of the *Negroes*, * the one at *New York*, † the other on the Society's Plantations in *Barbados*, by whom many Hundreds of theſe poor Slaves have been

* There are generally about 70 Catechumens under the Inſtruction of the Catechiſt in *New-York*.

† By the laſt Account from the Society's Plantations in *Barbados* concerning their *Negroes*, there were then on their Plantations 219 *Negroes*, who attend on the Catechiſt, and 72 of them had been made Chriſtians by Baptiſm.

taught *to believe in God, and in his Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord*; and by Baptiſm admitted into his Church. Nor have our Miſſionaries in their ſeveral Stations been wanting towards this good Work; ‖ more than 100 *Negroes* attend on the flouriſhing Church at *Rhode* Iſland; ‡ on that of *Naraganſet* 70 *Negroes* and *Indians*; and ſo on in a leſſer Proportion in many others. And the Society hath lately fallen upon an happy Expedient for their Service by the Purchaſe of two young *Negroes*, whom they have qualified, by a thorough Inſtruction in the Principles of Chriſtianity, and by teaching them to read well, to become School-maſters to their Fellow-*Negroes*. This Project is but of Yeſterday; but the Reverend Perſon who propoſed it, and under whoſe Care and Inſpection the two Youths are placed, hath acquainted the Society, * that it ſucceds to his Heart's Deſire: That one School is actually opened at *Charles Town* in *South Carolina*, which hath more than 60 young *Negroes* under Inſtruction in it, and will annually ſend out between 30 and 40 of them well inſtructed in Religion, and capable of reading their Bibles, who may carry Home, and diffuſe the ſaving

‖ The Reverend Mr. *Honyman*'s Letter, Miſſionary at *Rhode* Iſland, *June* 13, 1743.

‡ The Reverend Dr. *Maeſparran*'s Letter, Miſſionary at *Naraganſet*, April 20, 1742.

* Commiſſary *Garden*'s Letters to the Secretary of the Society, *Oct.* 10, *Jan.* 31, 1743.

ſaving Knowledge, which they ſhall have been taught, among their Parents, Relations, and Fellow-Slaves: And Schools in Time will be opened in other Places, and in other Colonies, to teach them to believe on the Son of God, who ſhall *make them free indeed.* †

As to the wild *Indians* bordering on our Colonies, they are rather to be ſtiled Tribes than Nations, for they are not numerous, ſeldom above one Hundred or two in a Company ſpeaking the ſame Dialect, and thoſe frequently at Enmity, if not open War, with their next Neighbours; and by the beſt Proof, that of Experience, it is found to be to no Purpoſe to talk to theſe *Indians* about our Religion in their wild native State; they muſt be reduced from their Barbarity, I had almoſt ſaid Brutality, and be made Men, that is, rational conſiderate Creatures, before they will become good Chriſtians. Indeed at the firſt Publication of the Goſpel, when *the Apoſtles went forth to preach*, and thoſe *holy Men ſpake as they were moved by the Holy Ghoſt, the Lord confirming the Words with Signs following*, many Thouſand Souls at a Time *were added to the Church*: But now thoſe extraordinary Aſſiſtances are ceaſed, we can only uſe the ordinary Means of Grace for the

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† The particular Fund towards the Converſion of *Negroes* conſiſts at preſent only of 2500 *l.* in *Old South Sea* Annuities, and 131 *l.* 15 *s.* 4 *d.* ¾ in the Hands of the Treaſurer.

Propagation of the Goſpel, and muſt with Patience wait the Lord's Time for Succeſs. And therefore through *Honour and Diſhonour, through evil Report and good Report, as Deceivers and yet true, as having nothing, and yet poſſeſſing all Things*, the Society will continue *to do good and lend, looking for nothing again, as true Children of their Father which is in Heaven, who maketh his Sun to ſhine on the Evil and on the Good, and ſendeth his Rain on the Juſt and on the Unjuſt.*

Full of that *Charity* which *hopeth and endureth all Things*, this Society hath been a great Number of Years in effectually converting to Chriſtianity the largeſt and once moſt barbarous Tribe of theſe *Indians*, the *Mohocks*; but to the very great Satisfaction of the Society, there is now a regular Chriſtian Congregation of 500 of them, under the Paſtoral Care of a very worthy Miſſionary who ſpeaks their Language, the Son of a Miſſionary, born among them as it ſhould ſeem to bring them into the Church, and the Chief of them are ſo well inſtructed, as to *be able to teach others alſo*, one of the *Sachems* being become a School-maſter in one of their Towns, and another *Indian* in a Second, to train up the Children in the *true Way which leadeth unto Life.*

And, relying upon God's Bleſſing, the Society are come to a further Reſolution to ſend a Miſſionary and School-maſter to the *Moskito Indians*, a numerous

numerous People, that may be called a Nation, living on one Side of, and in the Iſlands of the Bay of *Honduras* in the *Weſt-Indies*; upon Information that they are much civilized by their Commerce with the Iſland of *Jamaica*, and have ſeveral *Engliſhmen* reſiding among them, and have put themſelves under the Protection, and call themſelves Subjects of the Crown of *Great Britain*, and are very deſirous of being united to it in Religion and Government: May God give a Bleſſing to this, and all the other pious Endeavours of this Society, *to open the Eyes of the Blind, and to turn them from Darkneſs to Light, and from the Power of Satan unto God, that they may receive Forgiveneſs of Sins, and an Inheritance among them that are ſanctified by Faith in our Lord Jeſus Chriſt.*

Moſt remarkable is the Propheſy of the great Anceſtor of this *poſt-diluvian* World, concerning the Fate of his Poſterity; * *Curſed be* Canaan, *a Servant of Servants ſhall he be to his Brethren.* This the poor *African Negroes* of his Race prove in their hard Slavery to their great Sorrow fulfilled.

‖ *Bleſſed be the God of Shem, and* Canaan *ſhall be his Servant.* God was pleaſed very early to ſhew Favour to the Children of Shem, by vouchſafing to enter into a Covenant with and bleſs *Abraham* and his Poſterity, to whom he ſubjected the

* Gen. ix. 25. ‖ Gen. ix. 26.

the *Canaanites*, and gave their Land for an Inheritance; but above all, by granting him the mighty Favour, that the *Meſſiah*, the Great Saviour of the World, ſhould ſpring from his Seed according to the Fleſh.

† *God ſhall enlarge* Japhet, *and he ſhall dwell in the Tents of* Shem, *and* Canaan *ſhall be his Servant.* The *European* Poſterity of *Japhet* have greatly enlarged themſelves in *America*, and the unhappy Children of *Canaan* are moſt certainly their Servants there; but by which of the Sons of *Noah*'s Poſterity thoſe ſpacious Countries were peopled, for ‡ *of them was the whole Earth overſpread*, I ſhall not take upon me to determine: Various and unſatisfactory are the Conjectures concerning this; but two Parts of this Propheſy being fulfilled therein, give me Leave, till the contrary be proved, to ſuppoſe the third Part alſo to have received its Completion in it, and that we there dwell in the Tents of *Shem*.

But whether in good Truth this Propheſy relates to us or no, there are other which do; the great Evangelical Prophet ſcarce oftener mentioning the Enlargement of Chriſt's Kingdom, and the coming in of the Gentiles, than he ſpeaks of their Iſles; * *The Iſles and all the Inhabitants thereof, are to ſing unto the Lord a new Song, and his Praiſe from the End of the Earth.* ‖ *The Iſles*

† Gen. ix. 27. ‡ v. 19. *V.* Bocharti Phaleg. * Iſaiah xlii. 10. ‖ Iſaiah xlix. 1.

Iſles are to liſten unto him, † *they are to wait upon him, and truſt in his Arms.* No doubt, theſe Propheſies relate to the coming in of the Iſlands into Chriſt's Religion in their primary Senſe, but they may well bear a ſecond, and be interpreted of the Uſe which God ſhall make of the Inhabitants of the Iſles, in carrying the *glad Tidings of Salvation* with them, when they *go down to the Sea in Ships, and occupy their Buſineſs in great Waters* even to the Ends of *the Earth*, which will one Day *be filled with the Knowledge and Glory of the Lord, even as the Waters cover the Sea.*

How far the Society of this Iſland for the Propagation of the Goſpel in Foreign Parts ſhall be happy Inſtruments of promoting this Decree of Heaven, is known to Him only who hath made it; but from *the ſure Word of Propheſy* we know, that in God's good Time it will come to paſs, that * *from the Riſing of the Sun even unto the going down of the ſame, God's Name ſhall be great among the Gentiles, and in every Place Incence ſhall be offered unto his Name, and a pure Offering.*

It hath been much taken Notice of, that the Light of the Goſpel hath taken the ſame Courſe with the great Luminary its Emblem, that this *Sun of Righteouſneſs firſt aroſe with Healing in its Wings* in the Eaſt, and *beginning at* Jeruſalem in its

† Iſaiah li. 5. * Malachi i. 11.

its Journey Weſtward, hath for ſome time ſhone on the *American* Strand. And it is not unworthy of Notice, that its *Good Will towards Men* improves and poliſhes the Countries bleſſed with its Preſence by the Introduction of the liberal Arts and Sciences, and all other uſeful Knowledge where it finds them not; and there is an happy Proſpect of the Society's being inſtrumental thereto by the Means of an * Honourable Perſon, who excelled in, and therefore knew the true Value of theſe Things himſelf, and hath bequeathed two Plantations in *Barbados* in Truſt to them, for the Support of Profeſſors, and of Scholars under them, to be bred there to Religion and Learning, and when properly qualified, to be ſent forth not only *to preach the Goſpel*, but *to heal all manner of Sickneſs and all manner of Diſeaſe among theſe People*, not by Miracle, which they will not pretend to, but under the Bleſſing of Heaven through their Knowledge in the Healing Arts, which by the wiſe Order of the Donor the Scholars are to be taught, *that they may endear themſelves to the People, and have the better Opportunities of doing Good to their Souls, whilſt they are taking Care of their Bodies.* God alone knows, how great a Light this little Fire, which is now kindling up, and under the Direction of this Society juſt ready to

* The late General *Codrington*, Governour of the *Leeward* Iſlands.

to blaze forth, may afford; and whether, as Part of the Reward for *their well-doing*, the Society are not marked out by his Providence to have the Honour of improving, poliſhing, and bleſſing theſe remote Weſtern Parts of the World.

It may be Matter of Surprize, but will at the ſame Time be Matter of Joy to all good Men, to conſider the many great and expenſive Charities, which are carried on by voluntary Contributions in this Nation; and it will hardly ſeem credible to mean and contracted Minds, that they can long ſubſiſt together; but it is moſt certain in Fact, that hitherto they have rather helped than hurt one another; one good Man's Zeal hath kindled another's, until the catching Heavenly Flame, through the Divine Bleſſing on it, hath ſpread it ſelf far and wide, and found ſufficient Fuel to feed and to ſupport it.

It will ever be acknowledged with all Thankfulneſs by this moſt grateful Society, that as often as through their Zeal for *Chriſt's Sake* they have gone ſo far in complying with the preſſing Petitions of the *Americans* for ſpiritual Aſſiſtance, as to have quite emptied, or even more than emptied their Purſe to help them, the good Providence of God hath wonderfully filled it again.

The Charities of this great City *ſet on a Hill* are a Light to the whole Nation, and the ſhining Example of her generous Contributions in the late gene-

ral Collection for the good Uſes of this Society, *provoked very many to Love, and to that good Work*; inſomuch that they ſeemed *ſtriving together for the Faith*, who ſhould give moſt towards the Propagation of it in Foreign Parts.

No doubt this and the many other charitable good Deeds of this Metropolis, are one great Means under God of averting thoſe heavy Judgments, which for the crying Sins of her People ſhe moſt juſtly has deſerved; that for a great Number of Years, neither *Plague, Peſtilence, nor Famine, hath brought Waſting and Deſtruction within her Borders*; but *Peace hath continued within her Walls, and Plenteouſneſs within her Palaces*. Her *great Charity hath covered*, and God of his Mercy grant, *that it may continue to cover the Multitude of her Sins*. — Warm'd by my Subject I am launching out too far, but it is difficult to ſtop on ſo affecting a Theme, though much more difficult to *expreſs the noble Acts of the Lord concerning it, and ſhew forth all his Praiſe*. *Had this Councel been of Men*, before this Time it had been *brought to nought*; *its Beginnings were but ſmall, yet hath it far encreas'd*, and from the Succeſs with which God hath bleſſed it, we have juſt Reaſon to conclude, *that it is from above, and cometh down from the Father of Lights, from whom every good and perfect Work doth proceed*; *and with him is no Variableneſs neither Shadow of turning*;

and

and that *he will continue to be gracious*, and water with the Dew of his heavenly Benediction the *good Seed* ſown, till it ſhall have taken deep Root, and in Time fill the *American* World.

Inſpired from above, and all on Fire with the heavenly Flame, St. *Paul* could wiſh *to ſpend and be ſpent for the Goſpel of Chriſt, and in preaching of him, where Chriſt before had never been named.* May his great Example influence this venerable Society to perſevere in exerting themſelves in the Proſecution of the ſame moſt Chriſtian Deſign; that they may go on, till both their *Charity and their Patience ſhall have their perfect Work*, for they and all the other generous Contributors to *this well-doing will moſt certainly reap in due Seaſon, if they faint not*; the rich, who *caſt in out of their abundance into this Treaſury of God*, will reap a Bleſſing from him in this World, to the Increaſe of their Stores; and the *poor Widow's Mite, like her Cruiſe of Oil*, will ſupport a Prophet, and herſelf too. And moreover *an Entrance ſhall be adminiſtred to us all abundantly into the everlaſting Kingdom of God, and at length we ſhall all become one Fold under one Shepherd Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. To whom with the Father, and the Holy Ghoſt, be aſcribed all Honour and Glory.* Amen.

An Abstract of the CHARTER,

And of the Proceedings of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, from the 17th of *February* 1743, to the 15th of *February* 1744.

KING *William* III. of Glorious Memory, was graciously pleased on the 16th of *June*, 1701, *to erect and settle a Corporation with a perpetual Succession, by the Name of* The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts; *for the receiving, managing, and disposing of the Charity of such Persons, as would be induced to extend their Charity towards the Maintenance of a Learned and an Orthodox Clergy, and the making such other Provision, as might be necessary for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. Upon Information, that in many of our Plantations, Colonies, and Factories beyond the Seas, the Provision for Ministers was mean, and many other of our said Plantations, Colonies, and Factories were wholly unprovided of a Maintenance for Ministers, and the publick Worship of God; and that,*

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for lack of Support and Maintenance of ſuch, many of his loving Subjects wanted the Adminiſtration of God's Word and Sacraments, and ſeemed to be abandoned to Atheiſm and Infidelity, and others of them to Popiſh Superſtition, and Idolatry.

This Society was compoſed by the Charter of the Chief Prelates, and Dignitaries of the Church, and of ſeveral other Lords, and eminent Perſons in the State, with a Power to elect ſuch others to be Members of the Corporation, as they, or the major Part of them, ſhould think beneficial to their charitable Deſigns; and they immediately applied themſelves with great Zeal and Alacrity to the good Work; and after adjuſting Preliminaries in the Choice of Officers, and ſettling ſtanding Orders and Rules for their more regular Proceeding, they ſubſcribed every one of them according to their ſeveral Ranks and Diſpoſitions, an annual Sum to be paid to their Treaſurer for the general Uſes of the Society; and choſe new Members, and gave out Deputations, according to the Powers in the Charter, to receive and collect the Donations of all charitable and well-diſpoſed Perſons towards this moſt pious Deſign: And thro' an eſpecial Bleſſing *this Work of the Lord hath* hitherto *proſpered in their Hands.* More than One Hundred Thouſand of our own People, Infants and Adults, and many Thouſands of *Indians* and *Negroes*, have been inſtructed and baptized into the true Faith of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt; and more than One Hundred and Twenty Thouſand Volumes of Bibles and Common-Prayer Books, with other Books of Devotion and Inſtruction, together with an

an innumerable Quantity of pious ſmall Tracts, have been diſperſed in Foreign Parts; and there is now a very hopeful and improving Appearance of Religion in the publick Worſhip of God, according to the Liturgy of the Church of *England*, in a great Number of Churches in our Plantations in *America*, by the Means and through the Procurement of this Corporation.

The Charter directs the Society to give an annual Account to the Lord High Chancellor, the Lord Chief Juſtice of the *King's-Bench*, and the Lord Chief Juſtice of the *Common-Pleas*, of the ſeveral Sums of Money by them received, and laid out, and of the Management and Diſpoſition of the Revenues of the Corporation: This is punctually done, and the Society annually makes publick an Abſtract of them, and their Proceedings. Therefore the Society now in the firſt Place acknowledge the Receipt, and return their moſt hearty Thanks for the particular Benefactions of the Year 1744. *Viz.*

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To the Right Honourable the Lady Viſcounteſs *Windſor* for twenty Pounds;	20	0	0
To the Reverend Mr. *Stillingfleet*, Prebendary of *Durham*, for five Guineas; both by the Hands of the Lord Biſhop of *Gloceſter*.	5	5	0
To a Lady unknown for five Guineas, by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Gibſon* of *Harwich*.	5	5	0
To the Reverend Mr. *Thorpe*, Rector of *Haughton* near *Durham*, for five Guineas, by the Hands of the Lord Biſhop	5	5	0

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of *Gloceſter*. To a Clergyman unknown for five Guineas, by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Poole*. To the Reverend Mr. *Fletcher* of *Cubley* in *Derbyſhire*, for a Guinea. To a Gentleman unknown for a Guinea. To a Perſon unknown for half a Guinea. To Mrs. *Anna Margaretta Edwards* for two Guineas, by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Wells*. To a Perſon unknown for two Guineas, by the Hands of the Lord Biſhop of *Oxford*. To Mr. *Nathaniel Woodroffe* for half a Guinea. To the Reverend Dr. *Pelling* for Five hundred Pounds. To a Gentleman unknown for twenty Guineas, by Mr. *Chute Adams*. For one hundred Pounds from Mrs. *Long* of *Bath* (and this truly charitable Lady lately deceaſed hath left a Legacy of one thouſand Pounds to the Society.) To *William Blunt* of *Horſham* in *Suſſex*, Eſq; for one Pound ſeven Shillings, by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Oſgood*. To a Gentlewoman unknown for five Pounds, by the Hands of *Samuel Boſanquet*, Eſq; To ſundry Perſons unknown, for five Pounds four Shillings, by the Hands of Mr. *Bate* of *Aſhby de la Zouch*. To the Reverend Mr. *Everard*, of *Hartſhorn* in *Derbyſhire*, for a Guinea. To Captain *Thomas Williams*, for the Payment of fifty Pounds, bequeathed by the late

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Mr. *James Cooper* of *Walthamſtow*. To *Edward Southwell*, Eſq; for the Payment one hundred Pounds, bequeathed by the late Mrs. *Jane Dymock* of *Schrivelſby* in *Lincolnſhire*, together with one Pound ſix Shillings and eight Pence Intereſt thereof. To *William Dunſter*, Eſq; for ten Guineas. To a Lady unknown for two Guineas, by the Hands of the Reverend Dr. *Thomlinſon*, Prebendary of St. *Paul*'s. To the Reverend Mr. *Marſden*, Archdeacon of *Nottingham*, for five Guineas, by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Bridges*. To Mr. Commiſſary *Byam* of *Antigua*, for five Guineas. To a Perſon unknown for half a Guinea, by Mr. *John Butcher*. To Mrs. *Arabella Delabene*, for the Payment of fifty Pounds, bequeathed by the late Mrs. *Elizabeth Thompſon* of *Beverley*, by the Hands of Mr. *Beaumont Hotham*. To a Perſon unknown for ten Guineas, ſent to the Lord Biſhop of *London*. To a Perſon of *Briſtol* unknown for five Guineas, by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Taylor* of *Briſtol*. To Mrs. *Walter* of *Briſtol* for two Guineas; To a Perſon unknown for one Pound four Shillings; both theſe by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Tucker* of *Briſtol*. To the Reverend Mr. *Aſhley*, Shoolmaſter of *Repton* in *Derbyſhire*, for a Guinea. To a Gentlewoman

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tlewoman in *Hampſhire* for a Guinea, by the Reverend Mr. *Broughton*. To Mr. *John Wilberfoſs* of *Gainsborough*, Merchant, for two Guineas, by the Hands of Mr. *Duncalfe*. To Mrs. *Saer* of *Longacre*, for a Guinea, by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Johnſon*. To the Reverend Mr. *Philip de Valois*, Rector of *Eaſt Tiſted* in *Hampſhire*, for ſix Guineas. To the Right Honourable the Lord *Digby* for twenty Pounds. To a Perſon unknown for five Guineas, by the Hands of Mr. *Leake*, Bookſeller in *Bath*. To Mrs. *Elwes* of *Chiſwick* for one hundred Pounds, by the Hands of Mr. *Charles Randolph*. For twenty Pounds from a private Hand, by the Secretary. For forty Pounds from a private Hand, by the Secretary. To a Perſon unknown for five Guineas, remitted by the Reverend Mr. Archdeacon *Bateman*. To a Gentlewoman unknown for a Guinea, by the Hands of the Reverend Dr. *Moody*. To a Perſon unknown for a Guinea, by the Hands of the Lord Biſhop of *Salisbury*. To a Perſon unknown for one Pound ſixteen Shillings, by the Hands of Mr. *John Stagg*. To a Perſon unknown for half a Guinea, by the Hands of the Reverend Mr. *Smith*. To ſeveral worthy Perſons in and about the City of *York*, for twenty ſeven Pounds fifteen Shillings,	1	1	0
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Shillings, remitted by the Reverend the Dean of *York*. To *George Gregory* of *Nottingham*, Eſq; for five Guineas, by the Hands of the Lord Biſhop of *Chicheſter*. To Lady *Palmer* for a Guinea; To three Gentlemen unknown for three Guineas; To Mrs. *Heſter Palmer* for half a Guinea; To a Gentleman unknown for half a Guinea; To two Gentlewomen unknown for two Guineas; To Mrs. *Carte* for a Guinea; To Mrs. *Bewicke* for three Pounds; To Mrs. *Parker* for a Guinea and a half; and To the Reverend Mr. *Fenwick* of *Hallaton* for two Guineas, who remitted theſe Benefactions. To a Perſon unknown for three Guineas; and to another Perſon unknown for one Guinea; and to the Reverend Dr. *Troughear*, Vicar of *Carisbroke* in the Iſle of *Wight*, for a Guinea; theſe were remitted by Dr. *Troughear*. To the Executrix of Mrs. *Felicia Jennens*, of *Gopſal* in *Leiceſterſhire* deceaſed, for the Payment of her Legacy of two hundred Pounds by the Hands of *William Hanmer*, Eſq; To a Perſon unknown for two Pounds, ten Shillings; and to a ſecond Perſon unknown for two Guineas; and to a third Perſon unknown for one Guinea; by the Hands of the Reverend Dr. *Hales*. To the Reverend Mr. *Fordham* of *Royſton* for a Guinea.

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To the Reverend Mr. *Croſs* of *Cambridgeſhire* for a Guinea. To the Reverend Dr. *Griffith*, Prebendary of *Canterbury*, for twenty Pounds. To the Reverend Mr. *Samuel Leeds*, Rector of *Saxham Parva* in *Suffolk*, for a Guinea, by the Hands of the Lord Biſhop of *Exeter*. To the Reverend Mr. *George Fletcher* for a Guinea; and to a Lady unknown for a Guinea, both by the Hands of *Rowland Cotton* of *Etwall* in *Derbyſhire*, Eſq; For a Guinea from the Reverend Mr. *Bell*, late Rector of *Weſton ſub Edge* in *Gloceſterſhire*, by the Hands of the Lord Biſhop of *Gloceſter*. To the Reverend Mr. *Peploe*, Archdeacon of *Richmond*, for a Guinea; To the Reverend Mr. *Barnſton*, Prebendary of *Cheſter*, for a Guinea; To a Gentlewoman unknown for half a Guinea; and for a Guinea from Mr. *Milward*, late Prebendary of *Cheſter*, remitted by the Lord Biſhop of *Cheſter*. To a Gentlewoman unknown for a Guinea, by the Reverend Mr. *Fenwick*. To the Reverend Mr. *Fiſher* for two Guineas.	1	1	0
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These Benefactions amounting to the Sum Total of Fourteen Hundred and twenty-four Pounds, ten Shillings and eight Pence, are all the Benefactions to the general Deſigns of the Society, received before the cloſing of their Accounts on the

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20th Day of *January* laſt, and they are accounted for in the Audit of the Year 1744. There hath likewiſe been received within the Year, a Benefaction of five Guineas, Part of the Produce of a Legacy, from a Perſon unknown, towards the Converſion of the *Negroes*; and ten Guineas from the Reverend Dr. *Morgan* of *Hereford*, for the Uſe of *Codrington College* in *Barbados*; which are placed to their proper Accounts. And fifty Pounds towards raiſing a Fund for the Maintenance of Catechiſts to inſtruct the *Negroes* in the Plantations in *America*; and fifty Pounds more towards the general Uſes of the Society, were brought from a Perſon unknown by the Reverend Dr. *Berriman* to the Anniverſary Meeting of the Society.

Alſo the Society acknowledge the Receipt, and return their Thanks for the following Preſents of Books.

For two hundred and fifty Copies of the *Child's Chriſtian Education*, from the Reverend Dr. *Thomlinſon*, Prebendary of St. *Paul's*.

For an hundred Copies of the Reverend Dr. *Delany's* (Dean of *Downe*) Sermon before the Society correſponding with the Incorporated Society in *Dublin* for promoting *Engliſh* Proteſtant Working Schools in *Ireland*, preached in the Pariſh-Church of St. *Mary-le-Bow*, on *Tueſday March* 13, 1743. from that Society; And for an hundred Copies of a Sermon preached by the Lord Biſhop of *Killala*, on the 18th of *March*, 1743, before the Incorporated

corporated Society in *Dublin* for promoting *Engliſh* Proteſtant Working Schools in *Ireland*.

For fifty Copies of the Lord Biſhop of *Bangor*'s Sermon, preached at *Chriſt-Church*, *London*, on *Thurſday April* 26, 1744, being the yearly Meeting of the Children educated in the Charity-Schools in and about the Cities of *London* and *Weſtminſter*; from the Society for promoting Chriſtian Knowledge.

For eight Pounds, eleven Shillings, from Mr. *Charles Benjamin* and other Perſons belonging to *Portſmouth* Dock, to buy Bibles, Common-Prayer-Books, and other good Books, to be ſent to the Reverend Mr. *Clement Hall*, Miſſionary in *North Carolina*.

The Sum Total of all the Benefactions to the general Deſigns of the Society, and a yet much larger Sum hath been paid away this Year in Salaries, and for Books to the Society's Miſſionaries, Cathechiſts, and School-maſters, whoſe Names, with their reſpective Salaries and Places of Settlement, are as follow.

New England.

		£.
1	Mr. *Honyman*, Miſſionary at *Rhode-Iſland*,	70
2	Dr. *Mac-Sparran*, Miſſionary at *Naraganſet*,	70
	——For officiating at *Warwick*, ——	30
3	Mr. *Plant*, Miſſionary at *Newberry*, ——	60
4	Dr. *Cutler*, Miſſionary at *Chriſt-Church* in *Boſton*, —— ——	70
5	Mr. *Miller*, Miſſionary at *Braintree*, ——	60

6. Mr.

6 Mr. *Uſher*, Miſſionary at *New Briſtol*, — 60
7 Dr. *Johnſon*, Miſſionary at *Stratford* in *Connecticut*, —— —— 70
8 Mr. *Joſeph Brown*, School-maſter at *Stratford*, —— —— 15
9 Mr. *Henry Caner*, Miſſionary at *Fairfield* in *Connecticut*, —— — 50
10 Mr. *Richard Caner*, Aſſiſtant to his Brother, 20
11 Mr. *Arthur Brown*, Miſſionary at *Portſmouth* in *New Hampſhire*, —— 60
—— For officiating at *Kittery*, —— 15
12 Mr. —— Miſſionary at *New London*, 60
13 Mr. *Beach*, Miſſionary at *New Town*, — 50
14 Mr. *Brockwell*, Miſſionary at *Salem*, — 40
15 Mr. *Punderſon*, Itinerant Miſſionary in *New England*, —— — 70
16 Mr. *Lyons*, Itinerant Miſſionary in *Connecticut*, —— —— 30
17 Mr. *Checkley*, Miſſionary at *Providence*, 60
18 Mr. *Taylor*, School-maſter at *Providence*, 10
19 Mr. *Malcolm*, Miſſionary at *Marblehead*, 60
20 Mr. *Thompſon*, Miſſionary at *Scituate*, — 40
21 Mr. Catechiſt at *Boſton*, —— 60
22 Mr. *Gibbs*, Miſſionary at *Simſbury*, —— 30

New-Foundland.

23 Mr. *Jones*, Miſſionary at *Trinity-Bay*, — 50
24 Mr. *Peaſeley*, Miſſionary at St. *John's Town*, —— —— 40

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New York.

25 Mr. *Standard*, Miſſionary at *Weſtcheſter*, 50
26 Mr. *Bartowe*, School-maſter at *Weſtcheſter*, —— —— 10
27 Mr. *Charlton*, Catechiſt for the Inſtruction of the *Negroes* at *New York*, 50
28 Mr. *Hildreth*, School-maſter at *New York*, 10
29 Mr. *Colgan*, Miſſionary at *Jamaica*, *Long-Iſland*, — —— 50
30 Mr. *Seabury*, Miſſionary at *Hempſtead*, *Long Iſland*, —— —— 50
31 Mr. *Temple*, School-maſter at *Hempſtead*, 10
32 Mr. *Stoupe*, Miſſionary at *New Rochel*, 50
33 Mr. *Wetmore*, Miſſionary at *Rye*, — 50
34 Mr. *Purdy*, School-maſter at *Rye*, —— 15
35 Mr. *Keeble*, School-maſter at *Oyſter-Bay*, *Long-Iſland*, — —— 10
36 Mr. *Brown*, Miſſionary at *Brookhaven*, 60
37 Mr. *Arnold*, Miſſionary at *Staten-Iſland*, 30
38 Mr. *Wright*, School-maſter at *Staten-Iſland*, —— —— 15
39 Mr. *Barclay*, Miſſionary at *Albany*, and to the *Mohock Indians*, —— 50
40 Mr. *Cornelius*, an *Indian Sachem*, School-maſter at the Lower *Mohock* Town, —— —— 7 10
41 Mr. *Daniel* an *Indian*, School-maſter at the Upper *Mohock* Town, —— 7 10
42 Mr. *Watkins*, Miſſionary at *New Windſor*, —— —— 30

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New Jerſey.

43 Mr. *Vaughan*, Miſſionary at *Elizabeth Town*, 60
44 Mr. *Skinner*, Miſſionary at *Amboy*, —— 60
45 Mr. *Campbel*, Miſſionary at *Burlington*, 60
46 Mr. *Miln*, Miſſionary in *Monmouth County*, 60
47 Mr. *Pierſon*, Miſſionary at *Salem*, —— 60
48 Mr. *Reynolds*, School-maſter at *Shrewsbury*, 10

Pennſylvania.

49 Mr. *Roſs*, Miſſionary at *Newcaſtle*, —— 70
50 Mr. *Morris*, Miſſionary at *Lewes*, —— 60
51 Mr. *Pugh*, Miſſionary at *Apoquiniminck*, 60
52 Mr. *Backhouſe*, Miſſionary at *Cheſter*, — 60
53 Mr. *Eneas Roſs*, Miſſionary at *Oxford* and *Whitemarſh*, —— —— } 60
54 Mr. *Currie*, Miſſionary at *Radnor* and *Perquihoma*, —— —— } 60
55 Mr. *Uſher*, Miſſionary in *Kent County*, — 60
56 Mr. *Lindſay*, Itinerant Miſſionary in *Pennſylvania* and *New Jerſey*, —— } 60

North Carolina.

57 Mr. *Garzia*, Itinerant Miſſionary, —— 50
58 Mr. *Moir*, Itinerant Miſſionary, —— 50
59 Mr. *Hall*, Itinerant Miſſionary, —— 30

South Carolina.

60 Mr. *Garden*, Miſſionary at St. *Thomas*'s, 30
61 Mr. *Guy*, Miſſionary at St. *Andrew*'s, — 50

62 Mr. *Thompſon*, Miſſionary at St. *George*'s, 30
63 Mr. *Orr*, Miſſionary at St. *Paul*'s, —— 30
64 Mr. *Jones*, Miſſionary at St. *Helen*'s, —— 50
65 Mr. *Dwight*, Miſſionary at St. *John*'s, — 50
66 Mr. *Millechamp*, Miſſionary at St. *James*'s *Gooſe-Creek*, — — 50
67 Mr. *Boſchi*, Miſſionary at St. *Bartholomew*'s, —— — 30
68 Mr. *Fordyce*, Miſſionary at Prince *Frederick*'s Pariſh, —— — 30
69 Mr. *Durand*, Miſſionary at *Chriſt-Church* 30

Georgia.

70 Mr. *Boſomworth*, Miſſionary, —— 50

Bahama Iſlands.

71 Mr. —— Miſſionary at *New Providence*, — —— 60
72 Mr. —— School-maſter there, —— 15

Total—— 3200

N. B. The 50 *l.* Salary to the Catechiſt at *New-York* for the Inſtruction of the *Negroes* is not included in this Sum Total; it being paid out of a Fund appropriated to their Service.

73 The Reverend Mr. *Bewſher*, Catechiſt to the *Negroes* on the Society's Plantations in *Barbados*, paid of that Currency 80 *l.*

N. B.

N. B. The Society allow ten Pounds worth of Books to each Miſſionary for a Library, and five Pounds worth of ſmall Tracts to be diſtributed among their Pariſhioners; and other Parcels of Books, as Occaſion offers, and the Society find them wanting.

And the following are the chief Accounts, which the Society have received this Year of the pious Labours of their Miſſionaries in their ſeveral Stations.

New-England.

The Letters from this Country are filled with Accounts of large Acceſſions of new Members to the Church, and with Petitions for new Miſſionaries. The Reverend Dr. *Cutler*, Miſſionary to *Chriſt's-Church* in *Boſton*, acquaints the Society by a Letter dated *Dec.* 26, 1743, that the Church increaſes both in Number and Reputation, but Endeavours were by no means wanting for the ſpreading of Infidelity; and ſo large a Cargo of Books for that Purpoſe had been lately imported to *Boſton* from *London*, that the Freight of them came to 45 *l.* that Currency; and the Reverend Mr. *Caner*, their Miſſionary at *Fairfield*, writes on *Nov.* 10, 1743, that there have been large Acceſſions to the Church of Perſons, who appear to have a ſerious Senſe of Religion at *Norwalk*, *Ridgefield*, and *Stanford*; and where the late Spirit of Enthuſiaſm hath moſt abounded, many of the deluded People, as their Paſſions ſubſide, ſeek for Reſt in the Boſom and Com-

Communion of the Church. But the Reverend and Laborious Mr. *Punderſon*, the Society's Itinerant Miſſionary in *New-England*, complains in his Letters, that Enthuſiaſm had ſo unſettled many People from all ſober and ſteady Principles, that great Prophaneneſs and Diſregard for the inſtituted Means of Grace appear, and though he had been conſtant in his Labours, and preached twice every Sunday, and once or twice more in every Week, the Succeſs did not anſwer his Hopes. The Reverend Mr. *Checkley*, Miſſionary at *Providence* in this Country, ſays, that notwithſtanding all Oppoſition the Church increaſes, and is likely to increaſe; that he had found a greater Number of People in the Woods, than he could have imagined, deſtitute of all Religion, and as living without God in the World; and he had likewiſe viſited the *Indians* upon *Quinabaag* River, and was in Hopes of doing ſome Good among them. The Reverend Mr. *Brown*, Miſſionary at *Portſmouth* in *New-Hampſhire*, writes *July* 15, 1744, that the Infatuation, which had ſo violently ſeized both Miniſter and People among the Diſſenters, is much abated, and he hath a large Congregation, which behave well, and ſhew an uncommon Regard to the Rubrick of the Church, and 112 of them are regular Communicants. The Reverend Mr. Commiſſary *Price*, by his Letter dated *Boſton*, *March* 10, 1743, acquaints the Society, that there are new Churches building, and many Petitions for new Miſſionaries, and particularly mentions *Taunton* and *Hopkinton*, where there are Glebes laid out to be conveyed in due Form

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to the Society for the Benefit of Miſſionaries to be ſettled there; and the Society hath lately appointed the Reverend Mr. *Gibbs*, upon the full and united Teſtimony of the Clergy of *New-England* in his Favour, their Miſſionary to the new Church of *Simsbury*, after his having been admitted into Holy Orders by the Lord Biſhop of *London*, upon the People of *Simsbury*'s ſettling a Glebe of fifty Acres of good Land upon that Church, and obliging themſelves to make that up to him 20 *l. Sterling per Annum.*

Simsbury is in the Government of *Connecticut*, a Charter Government which chuſes their own Governor and Magiſtrates, and Independency carries itſelf with ſo high an Hand therein, that the Members of our Church in *Simsbury* have been perſecuted for not paying to the Support of their Teachers and Meeting-houſes; and by the laſt Letters from this Country it appears, that the ſame perſecuting Spirit rages at *Darby*; and all ſuch Juſtices of the Peace are put out of Commiſſion as conform to our Church. So hard is it, to reſtrain the Paſſions, and act up to the profeſſed Principle of doing as we would be done unto!

It is with great Concern, that we muſt conclude this Year's Relation of the Society's pious Endeavours for the Propagation of the Goſpel in *New-England*, with the Account, that Mr. *Roe*, the Society's Catechiſt at *Boſton*, hath proved himſelf, by his bad Behaviour, unworthy of that Employment, and therefore hath been diſmiſſed by the Society from it, which is at preſent carried on by the Reverend Mr. Commiſſary *Price*, till the

the Society ſhall appoint a new Catechiſt, or come to ſome other Reſolution about that Matter.

New-Foundland.

The Society have thought proper, upon the earneſt Requeſt of the Inhabitants of the People of St. *John's Town*, the chief Place of the Iſland, to remove the Reverend Mr. *Peaſely* from *Bonaviſta* thither, where there is a decent Church with Silver Communion Plate, and the Inhabitants have purchaſed an Houſe for the Miſſionary, and given Bond to pay him 40 *l. Sterling per Annum*. And Mr. *Peaſeley* acquaints the Society, by a Letter dated the 6th of *December* laſt, that the People had received him very kindly, and he hopes to promote true Religion among them; and when he is a little better acquainted with the State of his Cure, he will ſend an Account of it to the Society; but he already perceives, there is great Want of a Proteſtant School-maſter, a large Number of Children going to a Papiſt one, and conſequently being in great Danger of imbibing the Corruptions of Popery. Whereupon the Society have directed Mr. *Peaſeley* to teach the Children, or with all convenient Speed to find a proper Perſon to do it, and they will allow 10 *l. per Annum* for that Service.

The Reverend Mr. *Jones* writes from *Trinity-Bay*, *Nov.* 1, 1744, that he had received a Box of Books from the Society, and diſtributed them among the Poor, to their great Comfort and Edification; and that the Number of People at *Trinity-*

nity-Bay in the Summer were about 600, all of whom ſometimes came to Church, and he proceeds chearfully in his Duty, and lives in good Harmony with his People.

New-York.

Mr. *Noxon*, the Society's worthy School-maſter in the City of *New-York*, being worn out with Age and Infirmities, hath reſigned that Employment, and the Reverend Mr. Commiſſary *Veſey*, and the Church-wardens and Veſtry of his Church, together with the Reverend Mr. *Charlton*, the Society's Catechiſt there, recommending Mr. *Thomas Hildreth* as a proper Perſon to ſucceed Mr. *Noxon* in the Care of the School, the Society have appointed Mr. *Hildreth* to that School: And upon the earneſt Petition of the Church-wardens and Veſtry of the Church of *Weſt-Cheſter*, they have appointed Mr. *Baſil Bartowe* to be their School-maſter in that Pariſh, having received the following Account of him from the Commiſſary, that he is Son to the Reverend Mr. *Bartowe*, late the Society's worthy Miſſionary there, is a Perſon of good Temper, ſober, and pious, and well affected to the preſent Government, conformable to the Doctrine and Diſcipline of the Church, and exceedingly well qualified for the Inſtruction of Children.

Likewiſe the Society have revived the Miſſion of *New Windſor* in Favour of Mr. *Hezechiah Watkins*, educated at *Yale-College* in *Connecticut*, who brought over good Teſtimonials of his Life and

Abilities, and was admitted into Deacons and Prieſts Orders by the Lord Biſhop of *London*; the principal Inhabitants of the Northern Part of *Orange-County*, and in the Southern Part of *Ulſter-County* in this Province, Members of the Church of *England*, joining in a Petition to the Society for this Purpoſe; it appearing from the Account of Mr. Commiſſary *Veſey*, that there is no Miniſter of the Church of *England* nearer to them than *New-York*, at the Diſtance of more than 60 Miles.

The Reverend Mr. *Charlton*, the Society's Catechiſt to the Negroes at *New-York*, acquaints them by Letter dated *March* the 28th, 1744, that he had for ſome Time laboured under a ſevere Fit of Sickneſs, which had rendred him ſo weak, that he had fainted away in the Performance of his Duty at Church on *Aſh-Wedneſday* preceeding, but he hoped that the warm Weather coming on, God would reſtore him to his Strength again. His Catechumens came on ſucceſsfully, and he had baptized 11 Negroe Children and three Adults, from *Michaelmas* 1743, to *Lady-day* 1744.

The Reverend Mr. *Barclay*, the Society's Miſſionary at *Albany* and to the *Mohock* Indians, writes from their Country, *Sept.* 20, 1744, that his Cure continues much in the ſame State as before; 500 of them form a regular Congregation, and more than 60 Communicants; and the two Schools at the upper and lower *Mohock* Town flouriſh ſo much, that there are good Grounds to hope, their Youth will be ſo perfectly *trained up*

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in the Way in which they ſhould go, that when they are old, they will not depart from it.

New Jerſey.

The Inhabitants of the Town of *Newark*, having built a Church of hewn Stone, 63 Feet long, 45 Feet broad, and 27 high, with a Steeple 95 Feet high, and 20 ſquare, petitioned the Society, that Mr. *Checkley*, Son of the Reverend Mr. *Checkley*, the Society's Miſſionary at *Providence* in *New-England*, if found worthy of Holy Orders, might be appointed Miſſionary to them; and the Society having received an excellent Character of this young Gentleman from the Reverend Mr. Commiſſary *Veſey*, the Reverend Mr. *Honyman*, the Reverend Mr. *Vaughan*, and many others, appointed him, after his being admitted into Holy Orders, Miſſionary to the Church at *Newark*; but God hath been pleaſed to take him to himſelf; Mr. *Checkley*, ſoon after his Appointment to this Miſſion, falling ill and dying of the Small-pox here in *England*.

The Inhabitants of *Monmouth-County* ſetting forth in a Petition to the Society, that they have no School taught by a Member of the Church of *England*, pray'd the Society to ſet up one among them, that at the ſame Time their Children are improved in Reading and Writing, they may be inſtructed in the true Principles of Religion; to which the Society, moſt willing to contribute, have appointed Mr. *Chriſtopher Reynolds* their School-maſter at *Shrewsbury* in *Monmouth-County*, upon full Teſtimony

ſtimony of his good Morals, and of his being very well qualified for the Office of a School-maſter, and of his having done much Good in that way, and in Pſalmody, in which he is ſaid to excel.

Pennſylvania.

The Reverend Mr. *Uſher*, the Society's Miſſionary in *Suſſex County*, writes, *June* 26, 1744, that he can with great Truth ſay, the Church flouriſhes in *Suſſex County*, there being four large orderly well-diſpoſed Congregations of it, to which the Diſſenters ſometimes join themſelves; he had baptized 74 Children, three White and two *Negroe* Adults, from the 25th of *March* preceding; and beſides all other Duties, he catechiſeth after Divine Service thirty or more Children during the Summer half Year; and there is ſcarce a Communion, but what ſome are added to it. The Reverend Mr. *Backhouſe*, Miſſionary at *Cheſter*, informs the Society by a Letter dated *September* 21, 1744, that the Churches which he hath the Care of, are very regular and ſtedfaſt in the Practice of true Religion; and that he hath been conſtrained to teach School, to prevent the Children of his Congregation from going for Education to ſuch, as might pervert them in their religious Principles. The Reverend Mr. *Eneas Roſs*, Miſſionary at *Oxford*, writes, *Oct.* 18, 1744, that his Congregations are in a peaceable and quiet Situation, though ſurrounded with Diſſenters, among whom he lives very peaceably, and hopes in Time to ſee many of them conform. And the Reverend

rend Mr. *Pugh*, Miſſionary at *Apoquiniminck*, joins in the ſame Hopes, great Numbers of Diſſenters near him being good tempered, and frequenting his Congregations: May the happy Number increaſe, till they all *join in the Unity of the Spirit, and in the Bond of Peace!*

North-Carolina.

Clement Hall, Eſq; of *Perquimans-County* in *North-Carolina*, on his Arrival in *England*, laid before the Society a Certificate, bearing Date the 12th Day of *Auguſt*, 1743, ſigned by *Joſeph Anderſon*, Eſq; Attorney-General, *James Craven*, Eſq; Clerk of the General Court, Colonel *Scarborough*, and other Gentlemen, teſtifying that Mr. *Hall* was in the Commiſſion of the Peace for that Province, and had behaved himſelf with Honour, Diligence and Fidelity in his Station, and was of very good Repute for his Life and Converſation, and had for ſeveral Years officiated as publick Reader in the County of *Perquimans* for Want of a Miniſter of the Church of *England* in it; and he expreſſed his Deſire of entring into Holy Orders, to enable him the more effectually to propagate the Goſpel in *North-Carolina*; And upon Examination by the Lord Biſhop of *London*, being found worthy, Mr. *Hall* was admitted into Holy Orders, and appointed the Society's Itinerant Miſſionary in that Province, to which it is to be hoped he hath been ſome Time happily returned, and diligently and to good Purpoſe employed as a Miniſter of the Goſpel therein.

South-Carolina.

The Church continues to flouriſh in this Province under the Care of the Reverend Mr. Commiſſary *Garden*, and the *Negroe* School under his Direction goes forward with very great Succeſs; more than 60 *Negroe* Children are daily inſtructed in it, (18 of them read the Teſtament very well, 20 are in the Pſalter, and the reſt in the Spelling-Book and Alphabet,) and the Number of them gradually increaſeth ſo, as ſufficiently to employ both the young Schoolmaſters to teach them. The Reverend Mr. *Haſſell*, the Society's Miſſionary at St. *Thomas*'s Pariſh, having been diſabled thro' Age and Infirmities for ſome time to officiate in his Pariſh, died there on the 9th of *November* laſt, and the Church-wardens and Veſtry of the Pariſh unanimouſly recommending the Reverend Mr. *Alexander Garden*, Nephew to the Commiſſary, who had officiated to them for the laſt Year and a half, and approved himſelf both in Doctrine and Morals to their full Satisfaction, the Society have accepted their Recommendation, and appointed Mr. *Alexander Garden* to ſucceed Mr. *Haſſell* in their Miſſion at St. *Thomas*'s Pariſh. Mr. *Haſſell* had been for 35 Years the diligent and worthy Paſtor of this Pariſh, and we hope now reſts from his Labours among *the Dead which dye in the Lord, and their Works follow them.*

Likewiſe the Society have filled up their Miſſion at St. *Bartholomew*'s Pariſh, vacant by their Removal

Removal of the Reverend Mr. *Thompſon* to the Church of St. *George*, with the Reverend Mr. *Charles Boſchi*, formerly a *Franciſcan* Fryer, but approved to be a worthy Proſelite to our Church, by his diligent and laborious Service in it for ſeven Years laſt paſt, accompanied with an exemplary good Life, and a true Chriſtian Meekneſs of Spirit, and Reſignation to the Will of God.

Georgia.

The Reverend Mr. *Boſomworth*, the Society's Miſſionary in *Georgia*, acquaints them by a Letter, dated *Frederica*, *Feb.* 10, 1743, that he was entred upon his Paſtoral Office there, and found, that the People had been too long as Sheep without a Shepherd, and driven to and fro with every Wind of Doctrine, and he hopes, by the Bleſſing of God upon his Endeavours, to fix them in the true Worſhip of God; and the Method which he hath taken, is by laying a ſure Foundation in the Principles of the Chriſtian Religion, by catechizing the Children, and explaining in the moſt eaſy intelligible Manner, the Fundamental Articles of Faith; but he finds great Want of a good School-maſter and good Books. The Society hath ordered him a Parcel of good Books, and the Truſtees for the Settlement of this Colony have under their Conſideration the Appointment of a good School-maſter.

Bahama

Bahama Islands.

An Account of the Death of Mr. *Hodges*, the Society's Missionary to these Islands, reached the Society a considerable Time past, but not addressed to them, nor have they yet received any Application for a Successor.

N. B. The Society desire their Friends in *America* to be so just to them, when any Person appears under the Character of a Clergyman of the Church of *England*, but by his Behaviour is a Disgrace to that Character, to examine, as far as may be, into his Letters of Orders, and his Name, and Circumstances, and by whom he was sent thither; and to inspect the publick List of the Names of the Missionaries of this Society, published annually with the Abstract of the Year's Proceedings; and they are fully persuaded it will generally appear, that those unworthy Men are such, whom their own bad Conduct, and desperate Fortunes have sent thither without the Knowledge of the Society; and if at any Time it should happen, that any such should come thither from them, they intreat their Friends in the sacred Name of Christ to inform them, and they will *put away from them that wicked Person.*

Barbados.

Barbados.

The full Settlement of *Codrington College* in *Barbados* is now under the Conſideration of the Society; in the laſt Year they ſent the Reverend Mr. *Rotheram*, and the Reverend Mr. *Bewſher*, to officiate in Holy Things, and to open a School there; and they have lately ſent over Mr. *William Cattel*, a young Gentleman of good Skill in Surgery and Pharmacy, (as it was fully atteſted under the Hands of the Surgeons of St. *Thomas* Hoſpital, which he had for a conſiderable Time attended) to be Surgeon and Apothecary to the College, and to inſtruct both by publick and private Lectures the Scholars of the College in Surgery and Pharmacy as they ſhall become capable, in purſuance of the worthy Founder's Will; and he will be followed by other proper Perſons to compleat the Foundation.

The Receipts and Payments of the Society on the Account of their Plantations in *Barbados* in the Year 1744, ſtood thus at the Audit on the 31ſt Day of *January* 1744-5.

Receipts.	*l.*	*s.*	*d.*
By Sale of 44 Hogſheads of Sugar —	940	14	00
By Money receiv'd from the Executors of Sir *William Codrington*,	1000	00	00
By one Year's Dividend of 4400 *l.* old *South-Sea* Annuities, at *Michaelmas* 1744,	176	00	00

By

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
By a Benefaction of the Reverend Dr *Morgan*, Canon of *Hereford*, to *Codrington-College*,	10	10	00
To which add the Balance in the Treaſurer's Hands on this Account on the 31ſt Day of *January* 1743,	453	15	09
Total —	2580	19	09

Payments.

To ſundry Diſburſements for the Plantations, and on that Account,	492	14	02
To 250*l.* old *South-Sea* Annuity Stock, bought at 112¾ *per Cent.* and Brokerage,	282	03	09
To the Reverend Mr. *Rotheram* School-maſter, and the Reverend Mr. *Bewſher*, Uſher and Catechiſt, for their Salaries to *Chriſtmas* 1744, and Allowance for their Paſſage,	197	19	00
To Mr. *William Cattel*, Surgeon, for his Salary advanced to *Midſummer* 1745.	50	00	00
To Bills drawn by the Society's Attornies in *Barbados* on the Society,	1455	00	00
Total —	2477	16	11

Balance

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
Balance in the Hands of the Treaſurer on this Account, on the 31ſt Day of *January* 1744-5, —	103	02	10

The Receipts and Payments on the general Account of the Society, from the 20th Day of *January* 1743, to the 20th Day of *January* 1744, ſtood thus at the Audit on the 31ſt Day of *January* 1744-5.

By Benefactions, Legacies, and Payments on the general Collections, —	1710	08	06
By Entrance and Subſcription of Members, —	644	09	00
By Rent of Lands and Dividends on Stocks in the Funds, —	477	11	06
By Sale of 200 *l.* new *South-Sea* Annuities, at 111½, deducting Brokerage, —	223	05	00
To which add the Balance in the Treaſurer's Hands on the 31ſt Day *January*, 1743 —	2500	07	7¼
Total —	5556	01	7¼

Payments

By Salaries to Miſſionaries, Catechiſts and School-maſters of the Society, — —	2570	00	00

	l.	*s.*	*d.*
By Salaries to the Officers of the Society,	290	00	00
By Books, Gratuities to Miſſionaries, and other accidental Charges,	475	18	10
By Purchaſe of 1500 *l. Bank* Annuities at 3 *per Cent.* bought at 98 *per Cent.* and Brokerage —	1471	07	06
Total —	4807	06	04
Balance in the Treaſurer's Hands on the 31ſt Day of *January*, 1744-5, on the general Account of the Society,	748	15	3½

Certain Annual Income.

By Subſcriptions of Members, Rents of Lands, and Dividends in the publick Funds,	1165	03	04

Certain Annual Expence.

By Salaries to Miſſionaries, Catechiſts and School-maſters of the Society,	3200	00	00
By Salaries to the Society's Officers,	290	00	00
So that the Society's certain Annual Expence exceeds their certain Annual Income by the Sum of —	2324	16	08

Therefore the Society have elected into their Body within the Year 1744, The Reverend *Patrick Delany*, D. D. Dean of *Downe*; the Reverend *Timothy Collins*, M. A. Canon Reſidentiary of *Wells*; the Reverend Mr. *James Perard*, Chaplain to the King of *Pruſſia*; *Alexander Deſforneaux*, Eſq.; the Reverend *Thomas Birch*, M. A. Rector of St. *Michael Wood-ſtreet*, *London*; the Reverend *Francis Byam*, M. A. Commiſſary of *Antigua*; Mr. *John Wilberfoſs*, of *Gainsborough*, Merchant; the Honourable *James Oglethorpe*, Eſq; Brigadier-General and Commander in chief of His Majeſty's Forces in *Georgia* and *South-Carolina*; *Charles Randolph*, of *London*, Gentleman; Sir *John Philips* of *Picton Caſtle*, Baronet; to aſſiſt the Society with their good Counſel and Subſcriptions, in the very pious but expenſive Work of the Propagation of the Goſpel in Foreign Parts.

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1701. THE Reverend Dr. *Willis*, Dean of *Lincoln.*

1702. The Lord Biſhop of *Worceſter*, Dr. *Lloyd*, not printed.

1703. The Lord Biſhop of *Sarum*, Dr. *Burnet.*

1704. The Lord Biſhop of *Lichfield* and *Coventry*, Dr. *Hough.*

1705. The Lord Biſhop of *Chicheſter*, Dr. *Williams.*

1706. The Lord Biſhop of St. *Aſaph*, Dr. *Beveridge.*

1707. The Reverend Dr. *Stanley*, Dean of St. *Aſaph.*

1708. The Lord Biſhop of *Cheſter*, Sir *William Dawes*,

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1709. The Lord Biſhop of *Norwich*, Dr. *Trimnel.*
1710. The Lord Biſhop of St. *Aſaph*, Dr. *Fleetwood.*
1711. The Reverend Dr. *Kennet*, Dean of *Peterborough.*
1712. The Lord Biſhop of *Ely*, Dr. *Moore.*
1713. The Reverend Dr. *Stanhope*, Dean of *Canterbury.*
1714. The Lord Biſhop of *Clogher*, Dr. *Aſh.*
1715. The Reverend Dr. *Sherlock*, Dean of *Chicheſter.*
1716. The Reverend Mr. *Hayley*, Canon-Reſidentiary of *Chicheſter.*
1717. The Lord Biſhop of *Hereford*, Dr. *Biſſe.*
1718. The Lord Biſhop of *Lichfield* and *Coventry*, Dr. *Chandler.*
1719. The Lord Biſhop of *Carlile*, Dr. *Bradford.*
1720. The Reverend Dr. *Waddington.*
1721. The Lord Biſhop of *Briſtol*, Dr. *Bolter.*
1722. The Reverend Dr. *Waugh*, Dean of *Gloceſter.*
1723. The Lord Biſhop of *Ely*, Dr. *Greene.*
1724. The Lord Biſhop of St. *Aſaph*, Dr. *Wynn.*
1725. The Lord Biſhop of *Gloceſter*, Dr. *Wilcocks.*
1726. The Lord Biſhop of *Norwich*, Dr. *Leng.*
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1728. The Lord Biſhop of *Hereford*, Dr. *Egerton.*
1729. The Reverend Dr. *Pearce.*
1730. The Reverend Dr. *Denne*, Archdeacon of *Rocheſter.*
1731. The Reverend Dr. *Berkley*, Dean of *Londonderry.*
1732. The Lord Biſhop of *Lichfield* and *Coventry*, Dr. *Smalbrooke.*

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1733. The Reverend Dr. *Maddox*, Dean of *Wells*.
1734. The Lord Biſhop of *Chicheſter*, Dr. *Hare*.
1735. The Reverend Dr. *Lynch*, Dean of *Canterbury*.
1736. The Lord Biſhop of St. *David*'s, Dr. *Clagett*.
1737. The Lord Biſhop of *Bangor*, Dr. *Herring*.
1738. The Lord Biſhop of *Briſtol*, Dr. *Butler*.
1739. The Lord Biſhop of *Gloceſter*, Dr. *Benſon*.
1740. The Lord Biſhop of *Oxford*, Dr. *Secker*.
1741. The Reverend Dr. *Stebbing*, Chancellor of *Sarum*.
1742. The Lord Biſhop of *Chicheſter*, Dr. *Mawſon*.
1743. The Lord Biſhop of *Landaff*, Dr. *Gilbert*.
1744. The Reverend Dr. *Bearcroft*, Secretary of the Society.

The moſt approved FORM of a LEGACY to this SOCIETY.

ITEM, *I give to* the Incorporated SOCIETY for the Propagation of the Goſpel in Foreign Parts, *the Sum of* *to be applied towards carrying on the Charitable Purpoſes, for which they were Incorporated.*

Direct to *Thomas Tryon*, Eſq; in *Crutched-Friers*, TREASURER to the Society.

And to the Reverend Dr. *Bearcroft* their SECRETARY, at the *Charter-houſe*, *London*.

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1733. The Reverend Dr. Maddox, Dean of Wells.
1734. The Lord Bishop of Chichester, Dr. Hare.
1735. The Reverend Dr. Lynch, Dean of Canterbury.
1736. The Lord Bishop of St. David's, Dr. Claget.
1737. The Lord Bishop of Bangor, Dr. Herring.
1738. The Lord Bishop of Bristol, Dr. Butler.
1739. The Lord Bishop of Chester, Dr. Peploe.
1740. The Lord Bishop of Oxford, Dr. Secker.
1741. The Reverend Dr. Stebbing, Chancellor of Sarum.
1742. The Lord Bishop of Chichester, Dr. Mawson.
1743. The Lord Bishop of Landaff, Dr. Gilbert.
1744. The Reverend Dr. Duncomb, Secretary of the Society.

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And to the Reverend Dr. Bradley, their SECRETARY, at the Charter-houſe, London.

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